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## Eternal Bliss

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Blessed are those  
Who can stare at evil as it is the sun,  
With eyes half closed  
Through a veil of black lashes  
And the veil of lasting peace ...

Blessed are those  
Who are unmoved by discomfort,  
Who cannot distinguish between dreams and reality  
And who cry without tears ...

Blessed are those  
Happy, forever and ever  
Who hear only what they want  
The way they want  
And as they want ...

Let them be blessed forever  
In their poor white shirts,  
That suit them better  
Than the insane in this poppy field  
Awake ...

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